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Please find enclosed the following:

- 1. A U.S. patent application for SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MONITORING GROUPED RESOURCES (31 pages);
- 2. Five (5) sheets of formal drawings;
- Unexecuted Declaration (3 pages);
- 4. Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form (Form PTO/SB/05, 2 pages);
- 5. Fee Transmittal Form (Form PTO/SB/17) in duplicate;
- 6. Nonpublication Request;
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